



CITY OF LODI

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

AGENDA TITLE: Presentation by Naomi McCallum Carey, President of the Lodi Sister City Committee Acknowledging Current and Former City Council Participation

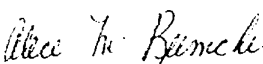
MEETING DATE: May 15, 1991

PREPARED BY: City Clerk

RECOMMENDED ACTION: None required, information only.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The Lodi Sister City Committee, in cooperation with the City of Lodi, hosted a Mayors' Visit in Lodi with dignitaries from Kofu, Japan, and Lodi, Italy in attendance. The event was successful with much credit due to Mayor David Hinchman, Councilmember Randy Snider, and to former Councilmembers Evelyn Olson and Fred Reid. On behalf of the Lodi Sister City Committee, Naomi McCallum Carey, President of the Lodi Sister City Committee, will acknowledge their involvement with and dedication to the Lodi Sister City.

Respectfully submitted,


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City Clerk

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City Manager





May 15, 1991

Mayor Hinchman and City Councilmembers:

LODI, CALIFORNIA

KOFU, JAPAN

LODI, ITALY

SISTER CITY COMMITTEE

Queen Elizabeth II of Britain addressed President Bush yesterday:

"Friendships need to be kept in good repair--not just the personal friendships between heads of state but the more diffuse friendships between the governments and peoples of two nations. At your kind invitation, Mr. President, we are here to celebrate and to reaffirm that friendship."

It is in that spirit that I am here to represent Lodi Sister City Committee and to convey Greetings and gifts from Mayor Chuza Hara of Kofu, Japan. Last September, the City Council, Lodi Grape Festival and all of Lodi welcomed him and Mayor Antonio Montani of Lodi, Italy, for the Mayors' Visit, the first time that representatives of the two cities visited here together. This has resulted in a friendship between those two cities, also.

It was through the inspiration of Mayor Randy Snider, who wished to thank our Sister Cities for the hospitality and generosity shown to Lodians, that the Visit was conceived and brought to life.

The books were prepared and presented in recognition of Kofu's four Sister City relationships: 1958 Des Moines, Iowa; 1961 Lodi, California; 1975 Pau, France; 1984 Chengdu, China. One contains photographs of mayors and visitors to Kofu from each of those Cities. History and commentary on Lodi alone covers 17 pages. Two show the flora and fauna of Kofu, and the other is a pictorial history of Kofu.

COUNCILMEMBER RANDY SNIDER

In appreciation for the Mayors' Visit, we present to you this Certificate and the gift of books from Mayor Hara

MAYOR DAVID HINCHMAN, EVELYN OLSON AND FRED REID

With remembrance of your visits, books from Mayor Hara

COUNCILMEMBERS JIM PINKERTON, JACK SIEGLOCK, PHIL PENNING
Our Sister City pins

Mr. Hara is now retired and promoting international good will as a private citizen. We are planning a trip to Lodi next year during the celebration of the 500th anniversary of the discovery of America. Please join us.

Naomi McCallum Carey

Naomi McCallum Carey, President
Lodi Sister City Committee

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I am interested in helping the Lodi Sister City Committee in the following areas:

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LODI SISTER CITY MEMBERSHIP

If you are interested in being a part of the Lodi Sister City Committee, fill out the form below, cut along the dotted line shown, and mail this form and the appropriate membership fee to Lodi Sister City Committee, P.O. Box 1122, Lodi, CA 95241-1122. Your membership card will be returned to you by mail.

NAME _____ PHONE _____

ADDRESS _____
(STREET) (APT. NO.) (CITY) (ZIP)

MEMBERSHIP (Check One)

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business - \$25 | <input type="checkbox"/> Student/Senior Citizen - \$5
(Up to 20) / (60 and older) | <input type="checkbox"/> Couples - \$15
(Not senior citizens) |
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LODI, CALIFORNIA

KOFU, JAPAN
LODI, ITALY

LODI SISTER CITY COMMITTEE

LODI, ITALY

Lodi is a city of 52,000 people, located on the Plains of Lombardy in Northern Italy, an area known as the Lodigiano throughout its history. It is 43 kms. southeast of Milan, home of grand opera's famed La Scala and of one of several notable universities in the area.

Situated as it is among four rivers, Lodi has been valuable for its lush farming all through the 150 years it has been known as Lodi. A Roman village, large enough to rate a cathedral, was recorded as Laus Pompeia in the fourth century A.D.



In its early life, Lodi underwent raids and battles, one of which was the famous battle at the bridge spanning the Adda River, a victory against Austria. (This event purportedly gave Lodi, CA, its name.)

Ceramic manufacture has been an important industry since the first century A.D., and there are cheese factories, laboratories, and other kinds of industry.

Central old Lodi is a network of narrow streets and open squares based on an ancient network of roads. It is known for its wrought ironwork and for several fine churches and the Cathedral of the Annunciation, begun in 1160.

The city boasts a museum, a civic library, a theatre, and facilities for several kinds of sports.

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Growing out of the People to People program of the 1960's, the Sister City program offers exciting opportunities for involvement in international relations through exchanges of persons, products, and ideas through cultural, educational, technical, professional, municipal, youth, and sports exchanges.

LODI SISTER CITY COMMITTEE

The Lodi Sister City Committee was established in 1961. Although a brief school scrapbook exchange took place with Lodi, Italy, in 1958 on the occasion of the Italian city's 800th year, a more active relationship with Kofu, Japan, began in 1964, when Lodi representatives went to Kofu for that city's 75th anniversary.

Since then, gifts of Tokay grapevines to Kofu; of a miniature shrine and a granite marker and cherry trees for Lodi's Kofu Park; a student art exchange with Lodi, Italy; and visits and letters to and from both cities have marked the 30 years of the California Lodi's sister city relationships.

KOFU, JAPAN

Kofu, the capital of Yamanashi Prefecture, is located in the Kofu basin surrounded by mountains, including the Japanese Alps and Mt. Fuji. It can be reached from Tokyo in two hours by rail and three hours by car.

The Kofu basin is located in the midst of hot springs, grapevines, and many temples and historic sites. The scenic gorge of Shosenkyo and the five lakes around Mt. Fuji provide beautiful areas for sightseeing.

The city itself has shown amazing growth, is the center of politics, economy, culture, and transportation in Yamanashi Prefecture, and is known for its manufacture of jewelry made of crystal, natural stones, and pearls; purses, belts and wallets made of specially tanned buckskin; and

wines made from vines which include some grafted with Tokayvines sent from Lodi, CA.

The dianthus is the flower of Kofu; the oak, the tree; and the kingfisher, the bird.



This city of about 250,000 has just recently celebrated its centennial. After the Age of Civil Wars, during which Kofu was ruled by the famous warlord Shingen Takeda, the city was brought under direct rule by the Tokugawa Shogunate. Born in 1521, Warlord Shingen is still honored with an annual festival in Kofu.